

# CHARTER

## BOARD FOR INTERNATIONAL FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

Article I. Board's official designation:

Board for International Food and Agricultural Development (henceforth referred to as the "Board").

Article II. Board's objectives and scope of activity:

The primary mission of the Board is to advise and assist the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) with regard to programs and activities relating to agriculture and food security as set forth in Title XII of Chapter 2 of Part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended.

Article III. Board membership and appointments:

The Board shall consist of seven members appointed by the President, not less than a majority of whom shall be selected from the universities as defined by Section 296(d) of Title XII. Terms of the members shall be established by the President at the time of appointment, as provided by Section 298(a) of Title XII.

Members serve in a representational, not an individual, capacity, and therefore are not subject to the conflict of interest statutes.

Article IV. Period of time necessary for the Board to carry out its purpose:

Indefinite; Section 298 of Title XII provides for a permanent Board.

Article V. Agency and official to whom the Board reports:

The Board shall report to the Administrator of USAID, and, as provided in Section 300 of Title XII, to the Congress.

Article VI. Agency responsible for providing necessary support for the Board:

USAID will be responsible for financial and administrative support. Within USAID, this support will be provided by the Office of Development Partners.

Article VII. Description of duties for which the Board is responsible:

In discharging its duties, the Board will:

- A. consult with, provide information to, and furnish advice to the Administrator of USAID on all aspects of programs included under Title XII and on such other matters as directed by the Administrator.
- B. provide universities with information on USAID programs and activities that may be of interest to the university community.
- C. participate (on a selective basis) in the development and implementation of USAID policies that affect programs and projects in which U.S. universities are or could be involved.

Article VIII. Subordinate units:

The Board is authorized to create such subordinate units as may be necessary for the performance of its duties and the discharge of its responsibilities.

USAID provides support services to the Board's subordinate units, subject to availability.

Article IX. Estimated cost of the Board:

It is estimated that staff and cost levels will be as follows, subject to the availability of funds:

<u>Workyears</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
2.0 Staff	Up to \$300,000
2.0 Total	

Article X. Estimated number and frequency of meetings:

The Board will meet at least twice a year.

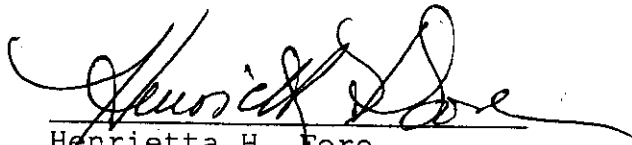
Article XI. Records Availability:

The records, reports, minutes, agenda, or other documentation of the Board shall be made available in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, the Privacy Act, and other applicable laws and regulations.

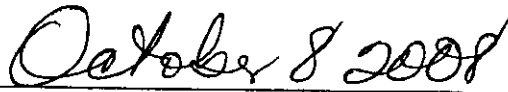
Article XII. Charter amendment:

The Board may amend the Charter as necessary, consistent with applicable laws and regulations with the approval of the Administrator of USAID.

Article XIII. Date filed:



Henrietta H. Fore  
Administrator



Date